

## **BALLOT INSTRUCTIONS for FEDERAL SERVICE VOTERS**

If you are a Missourian in federal service and you are serving in one of the areas listed below, you are eligible to return your absentee ballot directly to your appropriate local election authority by facsimile (fax) or e-mail transmission.\*\* If you feel there is adequate time to mail your ballot, you should do so. If you are **not** serving in one of the areas listed below, your only option is to return your ballot by regular mail. Whether received by mail or by fax or e-mail transmission, ballots must be received in the office of your local election authority by 7:00 p.m. on August 8, 2006.

Please use the enclosed cover sheet when sending your ballot directly to your election authority. The cover sheet **MUST BE SIGNED BY YOU**. Ballots must be faxed or e-mailed in their entirety, including all pages if the ballot is longer than one page or on both sides of one page. When your faxed or e-mailed ballot is received, a bi-partisan team will duplicate your votes on an actual ballot which is counted on Election Day. If more than one ballot is received from you – a faxed ballot, an e-mailed ballot, a mailed ballot or a federal write-in ballot – only the faxed or e-mailed ballot will be counted, unless the mailed ballot is received by the election authority before 7:00 p.m. on Election Day.

Please follow these steps when e-mailing or faxing your ballot:

1. Fill out the cover sheet by printing your name and address. Sign and date this form.
2. If you have a legal sized or two-sided ballot and it is not feasible to electronically transmit that ballot, write the names of the candidates you wish to vote for on a separate sheet of paper and fax or e-mail that sheet rather than the actual ballot.
3. Because the cover sheet and ballot may become separated in the transmission process, write a form of identification on the ballot page: name, last four digits of your social security number or ballot application number. This number will not be placed on your final duplicated ballot (the one that will be counted).
4. Fax or scan and e-mail both the signed cover sheet and your ballot directly to your local election authority.
5. Mail your regular ballot to your election authority.

\*\*You also have the option of enlisting the aid of your Voting Assistance Officer for help in transmitting your ballot.

### **Combat Zone, Hostile Fire or Imminent Danger areas:**

Afghanistan	Indonesia	Saudi Arabia
Algeria	Iran	Serbia
Arabian Sea	Iraq	Sierra Leone
Azerbaijan	Israel	Somalia
Bahrain	Jordan	Strait of Hormuz
Bosnia-Herzegovina	Kenya	Sudan
Burundi	Kuwait	Syria
Columbia	Kyrgyzstan	Tajikistan
Cote D'Ivoire	Lebanon	Turkey
Croatia	Liberia	Uganda
Djibouti	Macedonia	United Arab Emirates
East Timor	Malaysia	Uzbekistan
Egypt	Montenegro	Yemen
Eritrea	Oman	Yugoslavia, Federal Republic
Ethiopia	Pakistan	Zaire
Georgia, Republic of	Persian Gulf	
Greece (Athens)	Philippines	
Gulf of Aden	Qatar	
Gulf of Oman	Red Sea	
Haiti	Rwanda	